

# 2021 Poole Bay 100 Offshore Powerboat Race



Shake down & Round 1 – UKOPRA Offshore Championships

Round 1&2 – UKOPRA ThunderCat Championships

Offshore Classes 1, 2, 3E, 3D, 3C, 3B, 4 & ThunderCat Racing

Poole Quay, Poole, Dorset BH15 1HD

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# In memory of Andy Smith

1964-2021



**2020 Poole Bay 100 winner**

## **Risk Statement:**

Powerboat Racing is by its nature a dangerous sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By participating in or becoming involved either as a participant, team member or otherwise individuals agree and acknowledge that:

(i) they are aware of the inherent risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for exposing themselves to such inherent risk, including risks to their person, their property, drowning, hypothermia, collision injuries burns and other physical injuries as well as possible death.

(ii) they have satisfied themselves that they have the necessary skill and knowledge to take part in the event and deal with the conditions that may arise in the course of a race.

(iii) they will not participate in the event whilst under the undue influence of alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate.

(iv) they are responsible for the safety of themselves their crew their boat and their property whether afloat or ashore.

(v) the management of their boat including insurance is solely their responsibility.

(vi) scrutineering does not constitute a condition survey of the boat and it is solely their responsibility to decide whether or not to start or to continue in any powerboat race.

(vii) ensuring the efficiency and suitability of the helmets and racing vests worn is solely their responsibility.

(viii) the provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their responsibilities.

(ix) the provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance particularly in extreme weather conditions as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

(x) to be bound by the conditions of the Race Entry Form and Racing Instructions.

(xi) they will accept the decisions of the organising committee and officials nominated by the organising committee.

## **Indemnity:**

Participants in the event will be required on signing on to the event to save harmless and keep indemnified:

(a) The owners of the premises at which the event is held;

(b) The organising club and their respective officials, servants and agents; and,

(c) The other boat owners, drivers, passengers or mechanics engaged in the meeting,

(together with the "Indemnified Parties") AGAINST all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands

in respect of loss of or damage to the property of or personal injury sustained to the Indemnified

Parties to the extent caused by the participants, their crew, their boat, their mechanics, support team, representatives or agents.

## **THE RESPONSIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS RACE IS THE TEAM'S DECISION**

### **COVID-19 SECURE INFORMATION**

This sporting event is being run whilst Government Guidelines exist regarding transmission of the COVID-19 virus.

Participation in the event does not impart any right of the participant to not adhere to Government directives.

Please ensure that at all times you respect the social distancing guidelines of 2 metre spacing and if there is a need to reduce below ensure that a face covering is worn.

Please do not congregate in large groups as we must at all times ensure that a gathering of more than 30 people is avoided.

Our sport is blessed with being an open air sport with a large distance between participants and the only area where this may be compromised will be on the pontoons.

Poole Quay Marina have been good enough to host our pre-race mooring of vessels, so please respect their Guidelines

Scrutineering, sign-on and briefing functions will be carried out in the open air with 2 metre distancing exercised.

All participants will be requested to confirm prior to racing whether they have had or are awaiting a test for/or are exhibiting any symptoms of the presence of CV-19.

We have fully trained medical personnel on site and available to advise anyone with concerns.

**YOUR SAFETY HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE BYWORD OF UKOPRA WHETHER AT SEA OR NOT**

## Event Timetable:

### Saturday 29th May

07.30 – 08.00

ThunderCat Race boats to launch from Cobbs Quay and go to Poole Quay for Scrutineering. Please see ThunderCat Appendix for further details.

From 08.00

Poole Quay - Boats to arrive at Poole Quay by water.

From 08.00 – 13.00

Poole Quay Sign on and Scrutineering

09.30 Safety Briefing

10.00 Thundercat Race 1 Briefing

11.45 ThunderCat leave for muster under escort

12.00 [Class 1,2,3,4 Shakedown Practice Briefing](#)

12.30 Start Line\* ThunderCat Race 1 Start (approx. 14.00 race finish)

13.45 [Class 1,2,3,4 Leave for muster under escort](#)

14.30 Start Line\* [Class 1,2,3,4 Shakedown Practice Start \(approx. 15.15 return to pontoons\)](#)

### Sunday 30th May

08.30 Safety Briefing

09.00 ThunderCat race 2 Briefing

09.30 [Class 1,2,3,4 Round 1 UKOPRA Championship Briefing](#)

10.15 ThunderCat leave for muster under escort

11.00 Start Line\* Thundercat race 2 Start (approx. 12.30 race finish)

**NOTE: ThunderCats must remain on the course and off plane within the vicinity of Bournemouth Pier until both offshore starts have taken place as mustering will be occurring to their west.**

11.45 [Class 1,2,3,4 leave for muster under escort](#)

12.30 Start Line\* [Class 1,2,3,4 Round 1 UKOPRA Championship Start \(approx. 15.00 return to pontoons\)](#)

**Tide Timetable:**

<b>28 Fri</b>		▲ 5:02 h ▼ 21:07 h	<b>1:16 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>2:21 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>5:28 h</b> ▼ 0.2 m	<b>10:55 h</b> ▲ 2.2 m
			<b>13:31 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>14:52 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>17:49 h</b> ▼ 0.4 m	<b>23:14 h</b> ▲ 2.3 m
<b>29 Sat</b>		▲ 5:01 h ▼ 21:09 h	<b>2:00 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>3:07 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>6:16 h</b> ▼ 0.3 m	<b>11:41 h</b> ▲ 2.1 m
			<b>14:11 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>15:40 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>18:39 h</b> ▼ 0.6 m	<b>23:57 h</b> ▲ 2.2 m
<b>30 Sun</b>		▲ 5:01 h ▼ 21:10 h	<b>2:41 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>3:54 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>7:07 h</b> ▼ 0.5 m	<b>12:31 h</b> ▲ 2.0 m
			<b>14:46 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>16:31 h</b> ▲ 1.9 m	<b>19:33 h</b> ▼ 0.8 m	
<b>31 Mon</b>		▲ 5:00 h ▼ 21:11 h	<b>0:42 h</b> ▲ 2.0 m	<b>3:21 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>4:45 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>8:01 h</b> ▼ 0.7 m
			<b>13:30 h</b> ▲ 1.8 m	<b>15:18 h</b> ▼ 1.7 m	<b>17:25 h</b> ▲ 1.9 m	<b>20:31 h</b> ▼ 1.0 m

## **Race Officials:**

**Officers of the Day:** Kerry Bobin / Fiona Pascoe

**Assistant Officer of the Day:** Nik Keyser

**Safety Officer:** Danielle Strawford-Jones

**Start and Escort Safety Team:** Kerry Bobin / Bob Turnbull / Nik Keyser / Kevin Jones

**Medical:** Exile Medics

**Race Secretary:** Shirley Nellthorpe / Sarah Donohue / Brigitte Brun Bontoft

**Scrutineers:** Geoff Purves / Charlie Williams / Steve Wallace

**Timekeepers:** Steve Willis / Tracey Sheldon

**Trackers:** Steve Wallace

**Marina Marshall:** Michael Bobin (further ThunderCat Officials as per appendix)

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Safety VHF channel M37 (It is strongly recommended that all Class 3 and Thundercat craft carry a VHF radio, this may be of the handheld type).

## Awards:

OPCGB Awards will be made on the pontoons for the placings of the races on Sunday only in the following UKOPRA classes.

Race crews must remain with their boats on return from their main race where the awards will be made directly to your boat by OPCGB. Page numbering

No official prize giving will take place.

The classes will be:

- Offshore 1
- Offshore 2
- Offshore 3B
- Offshore 3C
- Offshore 3D
- Offshore 3E
- Offshore 4
- ThunderCat



## **Rules and Regulations:**

These races will be run as stated in these Race Instructions, 2021 UKOPRA Class rules/2021 classes and ThunderCat appendix. plus any other instructions issued before or at Drivers' Briefings or in Race Bulletins.

Racing rules: [ukopra.co.uk](http://ukopra.co.uk)

OPCGB in conjunction with the OOD, Safety Officer and Scrutineers have the right to refuse any boat which they consider unsuitable and/or which does not conform to the requirements of the present Rules.

OPCGB, the OOD and Safety Officer reserve the right to change these Instructions at any time for safety reasons, provided that any change will be in accordance with the current rules. Any changes will be notified to competitors in a Race Bulletin and, if possible, announced at Drivers' Briefing.

Any infringement of the Rules or of the Race Instructions, or instructions issued at Drivers' Briefings or in Race Bulletins may lead to disqualification or other penalties being applied by the OOD and / or OPCGB.

Entry to the race includes membership of OPCGB for the current 2021 season.

## **Race Licences:**

All competitors will be required to hold an UKOPRA Offshore Powerboat Racing licence.

Licence application: [licenses.ukopra.co.uk](http://licenses.ukopra.co.uk)

All race boats must be registered with UKOPRA.

Class rules requiring Immersion Certificates and/or Sea Survival and First Aid must produce valid evidence to the Technical Inspector.

## **Trackers:**

**Trackers will be issued for both races of Thundercats and the Championship race of Offshore. Teams are responsible for the safe return of the trackers at sign off and will be subject to a replacement cost of £200 if not returned.**

**The use of the tracker is mandatory.**

## **Competitors Responsibility:**

Competitors must read the Risk Statement, Indemnity, and safety information in these instructions.

THERE WILL BE A SIGNING ON FORM ON THE PONTOONS HELD BY THE RACE SECRETARIES.

It is mandatory that the signing in form is completed before participation in the event.

By signing the race entry form and the official signing on form at the event all competitors must be aware of:

- Collision regulations, SOLAS regulations.
- Start procedures
- Overtaking rules
- Flag procedures
- Emergency assist procedures
- Responsible for the choice and fit of helmet
- The choice and efficiency of a racing vest being the sole responsibility of the wearer
- Competitors are reminded that Safety takes precedence over racing at all times

## **Technical Inspection:**

Pre-race Technical Inspection will take place in the pit area in accordance with class specific rules. Competitors are reminded of the following points:

- Competitors are responsible for the seaworthiness and condition of their own craft and that they are carrying all equipment required to race within the rules.
- All craft will receive a basic safety check over with random specific checks pre-race.
- Prior to racing all competitors are to sign to confirm that their craft comply with minimum class weight limits, craft may be weighed post-race, failure to meet minimum weight may result in disqualification from the results.

## **Fuelling Arrangements:**

**REFUELLING BETWEEN RACES AND POST RACE HAS BEEN ARRANGED WITH COBB'S QUAY MARINA**

CREWS ARE TO LIAISE WITH KERRY BOBIN WHO WILL BE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH FUEL BERTH AND YOU WILL BE RELEASED TO THE FUEL BERTH ONLY BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT.

Competitors should arrive at Poole Quay fully fuelled for the race.

Be aware of the distance from Poole Quay to the start line and ensure boats have enough fuel to get out, race and return without assistance.

Competitors are reminded that no transfer of fuel is permitted in the Poole Quay wet pits.

All smoking, of any type, is prohibited in the pit and launching areas.

## **Practice:**

There will be no official practice for this event.

## **Noise and Speed Restrictions:**

Competitors should familiarise themselves with and must obey the local regulations and Bye Laws relating to excessive speed and noise [phc.co.uk/](http://phc.co.uk/)

Any competitor speeding will be disqualified.

All competitors are requested to refrain from starting their engines unless absolutely necessary before proceeding to the race.

## **Penalties:**

Smoking of any kind, including vaping, in any non-designated area will incur a £250 penalty.

Any driver deemed by the OOD or Safety Officer to be driving in a dangerous or reckless manner will be disqualified from the race with no points awarded and referred to UKOPRA for further training.

## **Finishing:**

When the leading boat in each race crosses the finish line (as described in the course details) they will be shown the CHECKERED FLAG, to be described at Briefing.

All following boats will then be flagged as finishers regardless of distance completed.

On receiving the FINISH FLAG, race boats must come off the plane after crossing the above line, and within 100 metres of such.

It is not permitted to continue racing after receiving the FINISH FLAG.

Boats should then turn towards the centre of the course, and proceed towards the Committee Boat where they may be further instructions given.

When it is safe to do so, all race boats should make their way back to Poole Quay, observing all Harbour speed limits.

To qualify as a finisher, competitors must complete the correct course within the stated time limit, within the rules and in accordance with Race Instructions, Race Bulletins and any further instructions given at Drivers' Briefing.

*Any competitor who disobeys instructions from the local authorities will be subject to civil prosecution and may be disqualified.*

## **Post-Race Declaration:**

The Driver or Co-Driver must verbally sign off at race administration as soon as possible after returning to Poole Quay.

Failure to do so within one hour of returning to Poole Quay may result in exclusion from the results.

Protests against another competitor must be lodged by signing off time.

All Crew Members must sign off at race administration before the end of the event.

Post-Race Technical Inspection:

To be classified as a finisher:

- All crew members must be available with their craft and all relevant mandatory equipment required by class rules for post-race scrutineering if required, up to one hour after the posting of the results
- One or more engines may be checked, and fuel sampling may take place
- Must have taken the chequered flag or completed 70% of the race distance of the lead boat in their class. This constitutes 3 laps for the Thundercat class in the case of full race distance for the lead boat.

## **Protest / Race Jury:**

A Race Jury will be formed from UKOPRA members in the event of a protest.

A fee of £250 must be lodged in cash prior to the Protest Hearing to the Race Secretary.

The Race Jury's decision is full, final and binding.

There is no right of appeal or subsequent redress.

## **Race Cancellation:**

OPCGB may cancel or postpone the event or a race at any time in the event of bad weather, equipment failure or otherwise.

The entry fee is not refundable unless specified by OPCGB.

## **Event Safety Cover:**

Safety cover will be provided by the race organisers in accordance with the event risk assessment and safety deployment plan.

A mobile unit on East Overcliff Drive, near the Cumberland Hotel.

Full details of safety cover will be given to all competitors at Drivers' Briefing.

MCA will be informed of the event and kept up to date with race information during the races.

Competitors are reminded that Classes Offshore 1&2 (Marathon) is for seaworthy offshore craft capable of undertaking independent extended offshore passages in unprotected waters.

All competitors running boats with cockpit safety cells and restraints are reminded that they are responsible for their own safety and that, in the event of a capsize, their survival depends on their ability to extract themselves from the boat.

Limited safety cover at the event may be able to assist, but all crews must accept that this assistance cannot be relied upon and should be considered as secondary to their own capacity for self-extraction.

## **Retirement:**

All competitors are reminded that they must inform the Event Safety Officer or, if this is not possible, a race official as soon as they retire from the race. Competitors are also reminded that, where practical, they must raise their ORANGE FLAG to indicate they have retired from the race. Retiring boats with canopies must turn on their strobe light.

In the event of retirement, boats must report immediately to 'Safety Control' on VHF Channel 37, or by telephone to the Event Safety Officer, or, if possible, to the nearest Safety/Observer boat.

When reaching port, they should immediately make contact with Race Administration in person, or by telephone to 'sign off'.

Any competitor calling for assistance via recognised distress procedures or from Safety Control will be considered to have retired.

**Timing / Courses:**

All marks will be observed either from land or sea.

Official Mark Boats will fly a flag to be described at Briefing.

All Offshore competitors using electronic chart plotters should enable the tracking function using settings suitable for recording their track throughout the race at an update rate of no less than one point per minute.

In the event of any dispute regarding their correct completion of the course, failure to make this tracking information available to the OOD or Race Jury may reduce the competitor's chance of successfully avoiding a penalty or disqualification.

All competing craft will be issued with a tracker for their main race that should be returned immediately on arrival to the pontoons.

<b>Offshore Shakedown Race Saturday</b>	<b>Thundercat Race 1 Saturday</b>
Offshore 1 &2 Start Lap A, Lap C, Lap C <b>Total 35.1 nm</b>	5 x Lap B Muster off Alum and flag drop at Bournemouth pier <b>Total: 41.5 nm</b>
Offshore 3B,3C,3D, 3E & 4 Start Lap A, Lap B, Lap B <b>Total 28.9 nm</b>	
<b>Offshore race 1 Sunday</b>	<b>Thundercat Race 2 Sunday</b>
Offshore 1 Start Lap D, Lap E, Lap C, Lap C, Lap C <b>Total: 121 nm</b>	5 x Lap F (Lap B Anti-clockwise) Muster off Alum and flag drop at Bournemouth pier <b>Total: 41.5 nm</b>
Offshore 2 Start Lap D, Lap E, Lap C, Lap C <b>Total 109.9 nm</b>	
Offshore 3B,3C,3D,3E & 4 Start Lap A, Lap C, Lap C, Lap B, Lap C, Lap B, Lap B <b>Total: 71.4 nm</b>	

## Muster Area

- An area south west of Alum Outfall. **NOTE: Offshore boats Must remain clear of race lines while ThunderCats are racing by staying well west of Alum.**
- Muster Anti clockwise.

## Start Run

- All boats to form up in a line on the Port side of the start boat and 30 metres aft.
- Start Line When the fleet is in line the green flag will be dropped some distance West of the Bournemouth Pier line.
- Start Procedure as per UKOPRA rules.

**Offshore boats should take special note of the removal of Mark A from Start laps A and D. First race mark from release will be Southbourne 1.**

## Lap / Finish Line

- Between Bournemouth Pier Outfall Buoy and 30 Metres North of the Committee Boat, approximately 400 metres wide.

## Start / Lap Line:

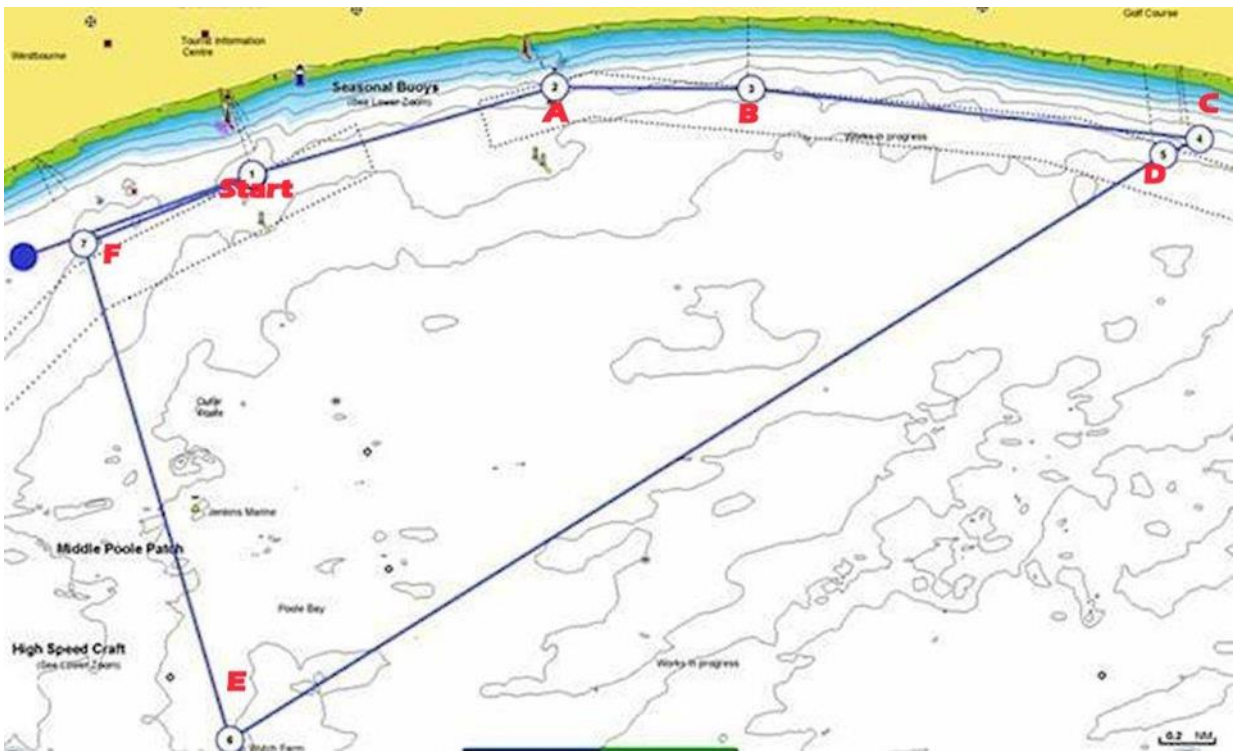
A line running due South from Bournemouth Pier Yellow Buoy to 30M north of the Committee boat

**We are advised that Perenco Wytch Farm has now be renamed to 'MAGNUM'**

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**Start Lap A (12.30 NM):**

Muster Area	W of Alum Outfall	Yellow Can		50 42 167	1 53 642
Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P	50 42 605	1 52 303
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S	50 42 948	1 49 121
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S	50 42 747	1 46 246
Mark D	Southbourne Outfall	Yellow Can	S	50 42 679	1 46 487
Mark E	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S	50 40 304	1 52 450
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S	50 42 320	1 53 401
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P		

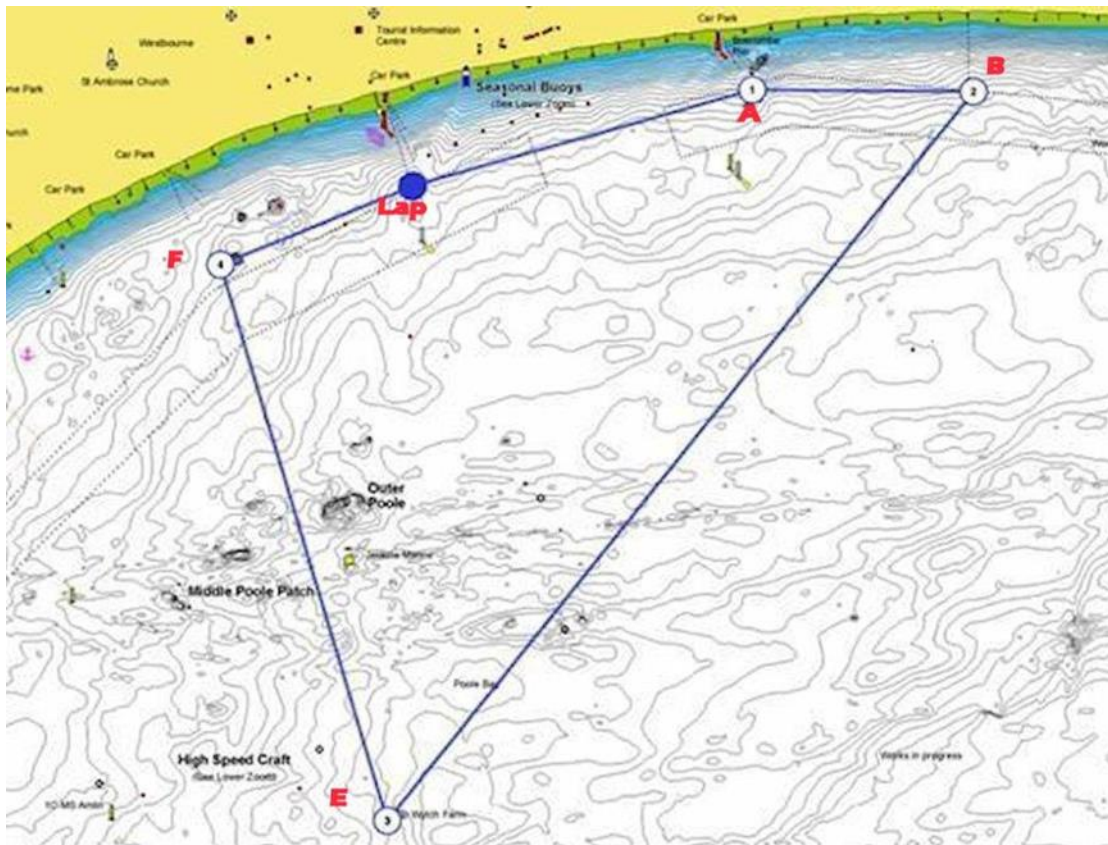


**Lap B (8.30 NM):**



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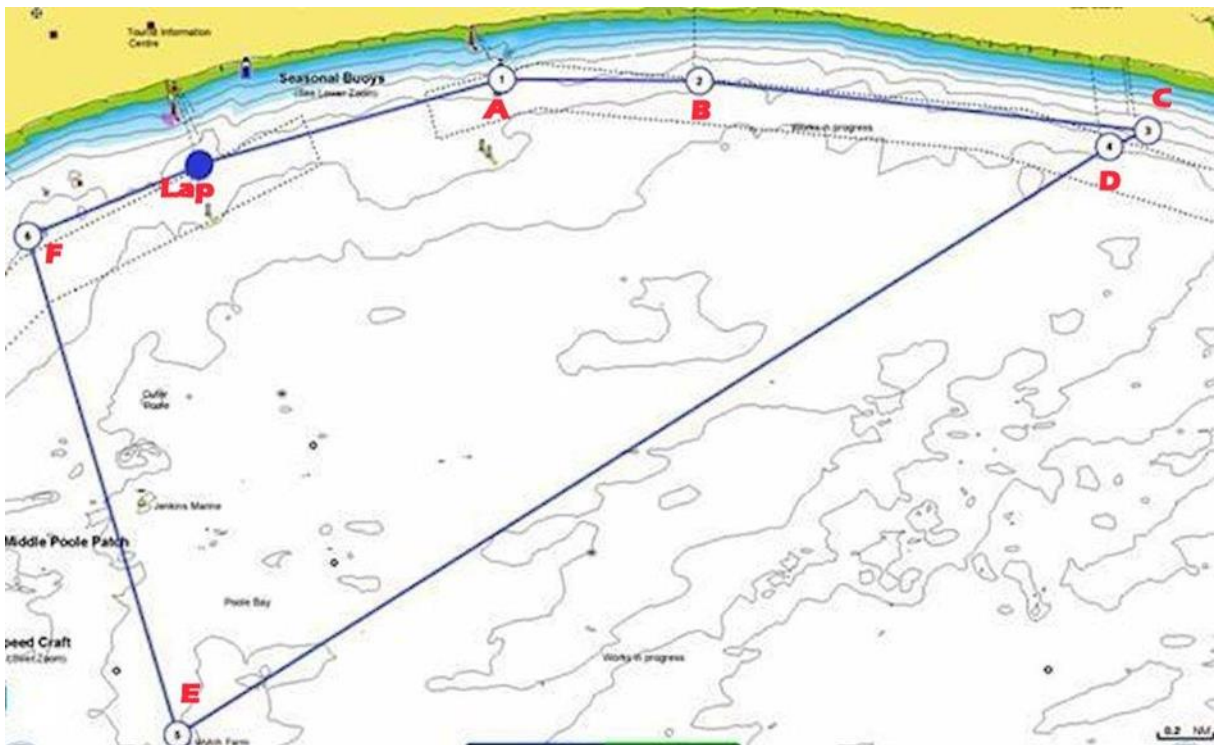
Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P
Mark A	Boscombe Pier	Yellow Buoy	S
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S
Mark E	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P



**Lap C (11.40 NM):**

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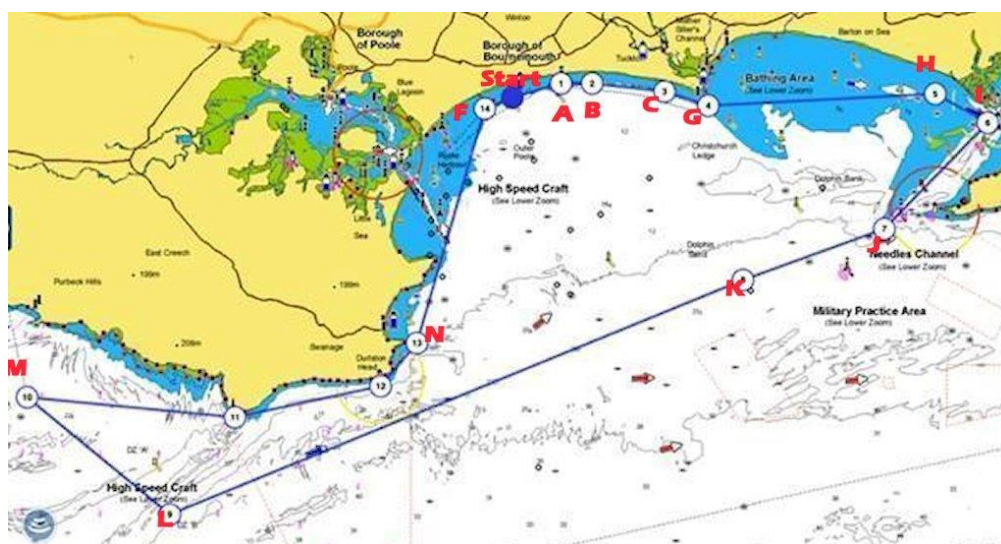
Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P
Mark A	Boscombe Pier	Yellow Buoy	S
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S
Mark D	Southbourne Outfall	Yellow Can	S
Mark E	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P



**Start Lap D (58.80 NM):**

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Muster Area	W of Poole Rocks	Yellow Buoy			
Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P		
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S		
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S		
Mark G	Hengistbury Head	Yellow Can	P	50 42 385	1 44 518
Mark H	North Head	Green Buoy	S	50 42 691	1 35 519
Mark I	North East Shingles	Cardinal Mark	S	50 41 961	1 33 409
Mark J	South West Shingles	Red Buoy	S	50 39 290	1 37 520
Mark K	3 Buoys	3 X Yellow Buoys	S	50 38 010	1 43 129
Mark L	DZ B	Yellow Can	S	50 32 047	2 6 013
Mark M	Atomic, (Arish Mell)	Yellow Can	S	50 35 032	2 11 627
	St Alban's Head	Rock	P		
	Anvil Point	Rock	P		
Mark N	Peveril Ledge	Red Can	P	50 36 409	1 56 099
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S		
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Can	P		



**Lap E (28.40 NM):**

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Start Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Buoy	P
Mark A	Boscombe Pier	Yellow Buoy	S
Mark B	Southbourne 1	Yellow Can	S
Mark C	Southbourne 2	Yellow Can	S
Mark G	Hengistbury Head	Yellow Can	P
Mark H	North Head	Green Buoy	S
Mark I	North East Shingles	Cardinal Mark	S
Mark J	South West Shingles	Red Buoy	S
Mark E	Perenco Wytch Farm	Yellow Can	S
Mark F	Alum Outfall Buoy	Yellow Can	S
Lap Line	Bournemouth Pier	Yellow Can	P

